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SUBJ: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC) FOURTH SESSION

REF: ROME 7143

1. FODAG RECEIVED FOLLOWING AGENDA FOR MAY 5 MEETING OF
ROME PERM REPS TO WFC:

- A. ARRANGEMENTS FORMEXICAN COUNCIL SESSION
- B. REPORT OF MAY 3 AND 4 BUREAU MEETINGS
- C. PROVISIONAL AGENDA
- D. PRELIMINARY REACTIONS TO RECRETARIAT DOCS
- E. OTHER BUSINESS

2. MAY 5 MEETING SCHEDULED FOR ENTIRE DAY. MISSION NEEDS
INSTRUCTIONS, PARTICULARLY FOR ITEM D.

3. ACCORDING TO HARRY WALTERS, PROPOSAL ON FOOD PRODUCTION
CHANGED TO PRESENT FORM BECAUSE OF ADVERSE REACTION OF
BUREAU AT LAST MEETING (SEE REFTEL) AND LACK OF SUPPORT
OF INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES AND UK AND FRANCE. WALTERS STILL
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HOPES ORIGINAL PROPOSAL IN PARA 29 OF ITEM 6 SUMMARY DOCUMENT
WILL BE FOCUS OF DISCUSSION AT COUNCIL SESSION DESPITE ADVERSE
REACTION CITED ABOVE.

4. MISSION UNDERSTANDS FROM WALTERS THERE WILL BE MAY 4
MEETING IN ROME OF REPS FROM INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES (IBRD,
UNDP, FAO) WITH WFC TO DISCUSS SECRETARIAT PAPERS. MISSION

WILL ENDEAVOR FIND OUT RESULTS OF MEETINGS AND REPORT TO
WASHINGTON ASAP.

5. FODAG REQUESTED BY MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE TO SEE
IF US, THROUGH EMBASSY IN MEXICO, COULD DETERMINE WHO WILL
ATTEND MAY 4 BUREAU MEETING FOR MEXICO. MEXICAN ATTACHE
EXPLAINED BUREAUCRATIC DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN MEXICAN FOREIGN
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE MAKES DIFFICULT FOR ROME EMBASSY
OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM MEXICO CONCERNING WFC MATTERS.
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